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Sir:

Appellants acknowledge the receipt of the Order Under 37 C.F.R. § 41.50(d) ("the Order") mailed on December 1, 2004, which has been carefully reviewed and studied. While Appellants do not agree with the rejections set forth by the Examiner in the present case, and do not agree with the Board that "(t)he Appeal Brief in this appeal includes essentially the same arguments that were made and rejected by the previous merits panel in Appeal No. 2004-0343" (the Order at page 4), Appellants hereby withdraw the present appeal (Appeal No. 2004-2382) without prejudice and without disclaimer in order to pursue claims in a continuing application, which was filed on December 29, 2004.

A one month non-extendable time limit for response is set forth in the Order. The response is therefore timely filed, and Appellants believe no fees are due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

Respectfully submitted,

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